GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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COAL SUPPLY BY CCL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of coal sold by Central Coalfields Limited during the last three years and till date;

(b) whether the Central Coalfields Limited is not in a position to meet the demand of the coal purchasers;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the coal deposits in the CCL with each colliery during each of the last three years till date?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) The total coal despatches by Central Coalfields Limited(CCL) during the year 1997-98 to 1999-2000 are as under:

(in million tonnes)	
1997-1998	30.67
1998-1999	29.50
1999-2000	30.33

(b)&(c) CCL is making endeavour to meet the full requirements of various sectors of consumers. Due to several reasons such as seasonal variance in demand etc., the compliance to the core sector consumers is to the extent of 90% of the linkages. However, keeping in view cyclical trends in coal demand vis-Ã -vis production, and lifting arrangements by the non-core sector consumers, some booked quantity remains unlifted at the end of each quarter and stands lapsed.

Keeping in view the present coal availability and to meet the demand of existing coal purchasers, CCL has stopped fresh linkages to non-core consumers for the time being.

(d) Mine-wise coal reserves are not updated every year. The present estimated coal reserves in the mines of CCL are of the order of 6733.9 million tonnes.